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## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of January 27, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows. A three-month Petition for Extension of Time is enclosed herewith, to extend the due date for response to and including July 27, 2006.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.